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This substitution is required because the Attorney General, through the Chief of the Civil Division of the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of California, has certified that defendant William Ardren was acting within the course and scope of his employment with respect to the matters alleged in the complaint. See Certification Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2679(d) (Docket #2). Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2679(d)(2), the United States of America should be substituted for William Ardren as the party defendant. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2679(a), the US Fish & Wildlife Services is not a proper defendant and the United States of America should be substituted as the party defendant

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PURSUANT TO STIPULATION, IT IS SO ORDERED:

DATED: 4/4/08

DATED: 4/3/08

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

STIPULATION TO SUBSTITUTE THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AS PARTY DEFENDANT; [PROPOSED] ORDER

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